

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

The present application has been reviewed in light of the Office Action mailed May 9, 2005. Claims 1-26 and 28-31 are currently pending, of which, Claims 1, 15, 17, 23 and 31 are in independent form. By the present amendment, Claim 27 has been cancelled, Claims 1-15, 17, 20-26, 28 and 30 have been amended and Claim 31 has been added. Reconsideration of the present application, as presently presented, is respectfully requested.

In the Office Action, Claims 1-8, 10-26 and 29-30 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by Comp, Publication No. 2004/0203579 ("Comp"); and Claim 9 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Comp in view of Miyashita, Publication No. 2002/0019225 ("Miyashita"). It is submitted that the subject matter of Claims 1-26 and 29-30 as presented herein is patentably distinct over the cited references, taken alone or in any proper combination.

With respect to the rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e), it is respectfully submitted that Comp does not teach or suggest the subject matter recited by independent Claims 1, 15, 17 and 23. Claim 1 presently recites, a cellular telephone, including, *inter alia*, a set of instructions capable of being executed by the processor for: establishing a communication link with a remote central station; receiving a telephone directory stored in a memory of the remote central station *including at least one telephone directory listing created and transmitted to the remote central station using a computing device not corresponding to a subscriber of the cellular telephone*; and storing the received telephone directory in the memory of the cellular telephone.

Claim 15 presently recites, a cellular telephone, including, *inter alia*, a set of instructions capable of being executed by the processor for: parsing Caller ID information, said Caller ID information including at least a telephone number and an entity assigned the telephone number;

and storing the parsed Caller ID information as a telephone directory listing within the telephone directory, *wherein the processor creates the telephone directory listing using the Caller ID information and stores the telephone directory listing within the memory.*

Claim 17 presently recites, a telephone directory management system, including, *inter alia*, a remote central station having a memory for storing a plurality of telephone directories each assigned an individual identification code and at least one processor having access to the plurality of telephone directories stored in the memory; *a plurality of cellular telephones each corresponding to a different subscriber*; and a set of instructions capable of being executed by the at least one processor for identifying at least a portion of a telephone directory of the plurality of telephone directories stored by the remote central station and corresponding to at least one of the plurality of cellular telephones and *transferring at least the identified portion of the telephone directory to at least two of the plurality of cellular telephones.*

Claim 23 presently recites, a method for managing telephone directories corresponding to a plurality of cellular telephones, the method includes the steps of: storing a plurality of telephone directories each corresponding to a respective one of the plurality of cellular telephones within a memory of the remote central station; processing instructions received by the remote central station for identifying at least one telephone directory stored within the remote central station; and transferring the at least one identified telephone directory to at least two of the plurality of cellular telephones, *wherein one of the at least two of the plurality of cellular telephones includes a cellular telephone which does not correspond to the at least one identified telephone directory*, and wherein the plurality of cellular telephones have the capability of transferring a respective telephone directory to the remote central station for storage therein.

Comp does not disclose or suggest the features recited by independent Claims 1, 15, 17 and 23. Comp is directed to a network-based archiving of user-specific information stored within a mobile user device, such as a cellular telephone, associated with a user at one or more network storage locations within a communication system. See paragraph [0009] The user-specific information, which includes contact information (analogous to a telephone directory as recited by Applicants' claims), which is stored at the network storage location(s) (analogous to remote central station as recited by Applicants' claim) is created and transmitted to the network storage location(s) using the mobile user device associated with or corresponding to the user. See paragraph [0013]

According to Comp, the stored user-specific information may thereafter be transferred from the network storage location(s) to a new user device associated with the user. See paragraph [0014] Other than contact information (information relating to personal contacts of the user), the user-specific information can include call log information (information relating to calls that the user recently participated in). The network storage location(s) maintains and stores user-specific information for many user devices each associated with a particular user. See paragraph [0019]

Comp discloses that if the user loses or damages his mobile user device, or has his user device stolen, or should the user simply desire to trade up to a new device model, the user-specific information may be downloaded to a new user device from the network storage location(s). See paragraph [0009] The user does not have to "manually reenter the information in the new user device." See paragraph [0027]

In contrast to Applicants' recitations in Claim 1, it is respectfully submitted that Comp does not disclose or suggest "receiving a telephone directory stored in a memory of the remote central station including at least one telephone directory listing created and transmitted to the remote central station using a computing device not corresponding to a subscriber of the cellular telephone," as recited by Applicants' Claim 1.

As described above, Comp discloses that the contact information, as well as other user-specific information, is created and transmitted to the network storage location(s) using a mobile user device associated with or corresponding to the user (analogous to the subscriber of the cellular telephone as recited by Applicants' Claim 1) and that only this contact information, i.e., contact information created and transmitted to the network storage location(s) using the user device associated with or corresponding to the user, can be received by another device associated with or corresponding to the user.

With respect to Claim 15, Comp discloses storing user-specific information (call log information and/or contact information) at the network storage location(s). The call log information is information relating to calls that the user of the mobile user device recently participated in (the information can include the phone numbers of other parties involved in corresponding calls, party names (analogous to Caller ID information as recited by Applicants' Claim 15) and/or other information may also be stored). See paragraph [0012] The contact information includes information relating to one or more personal contacts of the user (analogous to telephone directory listing as recited by Applicants' Claim 15). See paragraph [0001]

The call log information is stored within a call log database 36 of the user device 30 and the contact information is stored within an address book database 38 of the user device 30. The

information stored within each database is created independently of each other. That is, call log information is automatically created by the user device, and contact information is created by the user manually entering the information using an input device. See paragraphs [0012] and [0013]

It is respectfully submitted that there is no disclosure or suggestion in Comp that a processor of the mobile user device uses call log information to create contact information. In particular, Comp does not disclose or suggest using Caller ID information or call log information to create a telephone directory listing and store the telephone directory listing within a memory of the cellular telephone, as recited by Applicants' Claim 15.

In contrast to Applicants' recitations in Claim 17, it is respectfully submitted that Comp does not disclose or suggest a telephone directory management system which is capable of identifying "at least a portion of a telephone directory of the plurality of telephone directories stored by the remote central station and corresponding to at least one of the plurality of cellular telephones [each corresponding to a different subscriber] and transferring at least the identified portion of the telephone directory to at least two of the plurality of cellular telephones," as recited by Applicants' Claim 17.

Comp describes a system where user-specific information which includes contact information corresponding to a mobile user device can be identified and transferred from a network storage location to a mobile user device, either the same mobile user device which transferred the user-specific information to the network storage location(s) or another mobile user device associated with or corresponding to the user. There is no disclosure or suggestion in Comp that the user-specific information is identified and transferred from the network storage

location to more than one mobile user device, or to a mobile user device which is not associated with or corresponding to the user.

With respect to Applicants' Claim 23, it is respectfully submitted that Comp does not disclose or suggest a method for managing telephone directories corresponding to a plurality of cellular telephones which entails "storing a plurality of telephone directories each corresponding to a respective one of the plurality of cellular telephones within a memory of the remote central station; processing instructions received by the remote central station for identifying at least one telephone directory stored within the remote central station; and transferring the at least one identified telephone directory to at least two of the plurality of cellular telephones, wherein one of the at least two of the plurality of cellular telephones includes a cellular telephone which does not correspond to the at least one identified telephone directory," as recited by Applicants' Claim 23.

As stated above with respect to Claim 17, Comp describes a system where user-specific information which includes contact information corresponding to a mobile user device can be identified and transferred from a network storage location to a mobile user device, either the same mobile user device which transferred the user-specific information to the network storage location or another mobile user device associated with or corresponding to the user. There is no disclosure or suggestion in Comp that the user-specific information is identified and transferred from the network storage location to more than one mobile user device, or to a mobile user device which is not associated with or corresponding to the user.

It is therefore respectfully submitted that, in view of the amendments to Claims 1, 15, 17 and 23 and in view of the arguments presented above, Claims 1, 15, 17 and 23 are allowable over

Comp, since Comp fails to disclose or suggest the features as presently recited in Claims 1, 15, 17 and 23. Accordingly, withdrawal of the rejection under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) and allowance of Claims 1, 15, 17 and 23 are respectfully requested.

Claims 2-14, 16, 18-22, 24-26, 29 and 30 depend, directly or indirectly, from either Claim 1, 15, 17 or 23 and contain all of the features of either Claim 1, 15, 17 or 23. Therefore, for at least the reasons presented above for the patentability of Claims 1, 15, 17 and 23, it is respectfully submitted that Claims 2-14, 16, 18-22, 24-26, 29 and 30 are also patentable. Accordingly, withdrawal of the rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) with respect to Claims 2-8, 10-14, 16, 18-22, 24-26, 29 and 30 and allowance of these claims are respectfully requested. Further, withdrawal of the rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) with respect to Claim 9 and allowance of this claim are respectfully requested.

Claims 27-28 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Comp in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,246,871 issued to Ala-Laurila ("Ala-Laurila"). Claim 27 has been cancelled and Claim 28 has been amended to depend from new independent Claim 31. Accordingly, withdrawal of the rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) with respect to Claim 28 and allowance of this claim are respectfully requested.

It is submitted that the subject matter of new independent Claim 31 as presented herein is patentably distinct over the cited references, taken alone or in any proper combination. Accordingly, allowance of new independent Claim 31 is respectfully requested.

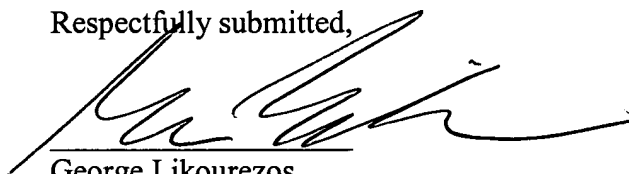
It is respectfully submitted that the claims are in condition for allowance. In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, reconsideration of the application and allowance of the claims is earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner believe that a telephone interview may facilitate prosecution of this application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to telephone Applicants' undersigned representative at the number indicated below.

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, reconsideration of the application and allowance of Claims 1-26 and 28-31 is earnestly solicited.

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